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Statistical Services Branch (SSB) recently conducted a review of technical training of SSB staff. This training currently consists of several formal courses on survey sample design and estimation and time series analysis, some specific sectional “in-house training”, seminars and on-the-job training. The review included an analysis of current skills and skill gaps, the structure of training courses, presentation methods and skills, and a plan for revising the training program.

The review built on work presented to the Methodology Advisory Committee in November 1998 on “Training of Methodologists in the ABS”. The 1998 paper was a thorough analysis of all training of methodologists, not just technical training in SSB. The purposes of this paper are:

- to summarise the current strategies for technical training;
- to list some emerging issues affecting technical training; and
- to suggest future strategies.

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